

***Information for Pharmacists***

**Claims Submission Procedure –  
Antibiotic Suspensions (Cephalexin)**

***Effective December 1, 2022  
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**Please include this Procedure in your Drug Programs Information Network (DPIN) Manual under Section 4: Claims Submission.**

**\*\*Pharmacies do NOT receive drug interaction information when submitting claims using PINs. Please review all claims carefully prior to submitting\*\***

- There is variable supply of some Cephalexin 250mg/5ml Suspension formats. All products currently noted as “short” are included in an Appendix to this notice.
- Due to this shortage, Manitoba is outlining the following product selection tree. This selection tree is to encourage pharmacy providers to use existing commercial supply while outlining an alternative option if supply is unavailable:
  - Commercially available product should be dispensed if the pharmacy has inventory on hand or can obtain product through normal distribution channels;
  - The pharmacy vendor may obtain commercially available product from another provider (e.g. another member within the same chain);
  - If commercially available product cannot be obtained, then obtain a compounded version of the product and follow the Claims Submission Procedure – Outsourced Extemporaneous Products (Compounding) found at [http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/profdocs/csp\\_oep.pdf](http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/profdocs/csp_oep.pdf)
- PIN 00911767 should be used when submitting claims for compounded Cephalexin Suspension preparations (50 mg/mL format).
- Manitoba will inform pharmacy providers once the shortage has been resolved and the PIN is no longer required and has been withdrawn for coverage.

If your questions are not answered by reviewing the Claims Submission Procedures and FAQs posted at:

<https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/healthprofessionals.html>

Please send an e-mail to [NIBDrugShortages@gov.mb.ca](mailto:NIBDrugShortages@gov.mb.ca).

## Appendix – Antibiotic Suspensions – List of DINS

DIN	BRAND NAME	GENERIC	STRENGTH
02497751	AURO-CEPHALEXIN	CEPHALEXIN	250MG/5ML
02469189	LUPIN-CEPHALEXIN	CEPHALEXIN	250MG/5ML
00342092	TEVA-CEPHALEXIN	CEPHALEXIN	250MG/5ML